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spent over six months on the
Sub SNIE. We think he did a fine job--one deserving
of a personal accolade from you.

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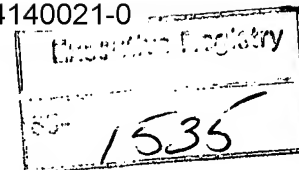
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Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

10 April 1985

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MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]

Director of Scientific and Weapons Research

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

VIA:

Robert M. Gates

Deputy Director for Intelligence

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In the middle of last year, [redacted] was assigned as drafter of SNIE 11-20-84, Soviet Submarine Warfare Trends. He took over a partially finished draft and helped to arrange it into an excellent product suitable for coordination by NFIB Representatives. The estimate was an especially controversial one, involving as it did, a complete reevaluation of undersea warfare advantage vis a vis the Soviets and the West. This draft was reviewed throughout the coordination process by not only all the Intelligence Community but personnel from Naval operating forces and my Nuclear Intelligence Panel.

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[redacted] took the input from many varied sources and fashioned it into a final draft which was coordinated near the end of last year. He developed numerous excellent graphics to help explain the many technical aspects of this estimate. Despite competing demands on his time, [redacted] was able to devote many extra hours during evenings and weekends to prepare a final draft which survived coordination and NFIB consideration. NFIB Principals were unanimous in their praise of the treatment of this complex subject and said that it was an exceptionally readable and authoritative document. My Nuclear Intelligence Panel has reviewed the finished SNIE. They think very highly of it and believe it realistically portrays the problem of Soviet advances in undersea warfare. I am extremely pleased with [redacted] work and appreciative of OSWR's sparing him for the lengthy procedures involved in putting out a national estimate.

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William J. Casey

cc: VC/NIC
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